

REMARKS

Reconsideration of the rejection of Claims 92-98 as being unpatentable over Asai et al in view of Burson under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) is respectfully requested.

Claim 92 is proposed to be amended to merely clarify that it is the inner portion of the flywheel that is a blower fan. This is not deemed to raise a new issue requiring further search or consideration in light of the extended prosecution of this application and the citation of prior art which the Office contended, albeit incorrectly, disclosed this feature (see, e.g. the Office Action mailed June 15, 2010).

The Office relies upon the Burson reference to modify the inner portion of the flywheel by use of ferromagnetic material. But even with that hypothetical modification, the inner portion of the Asai's et al flywheel would not function as a fan or blower. To the contrary, the Asai et al flywheel inner portion is adjacent to the cooling fan 77 and must be provided with apertures 76a to allow air to pass therethrough in order to allow the fan 77 to operate properly. Clearly, the Asai et al/Burson hypothetical generator still would not achieve the compact construction of the present invention absent further modification, such modification requiring impermissible hindsight.

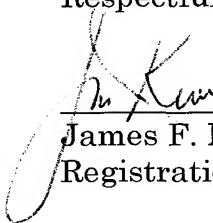
Accordingly, entry of the foregoing amendment and allowance of this application are earnestly solicited.

If there are any questions regarding this response or the application in general, a telephone call to the undersigned would be appreciated since this should expedite the prosecution of the application for all concerned.

If necessary to effect a timely response, this paper should be considered as a petition for an Extension of Time sufficient to effect a timely response, and please charge any deficiency in fees or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 05-1323 (Docket #029211.52672US).

Respectfully submitted,

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